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Dear Marshall,

I understand from the paper of Gordon Sato in PNAS that you have developed a series of elegant micro-assays for the enzymes of catecholamine, acetylcholine, serotonin and GABA biosynthesis and catabolism.

I have left the nematodes which do not allow me to do what I would like. I am turning now to work on mouse nervous system and mouse cell cultures. I have of course no experience in the field, but I would very much like to have in hand the techniques for the study of the transmitters. If you have no objection, I would be very grateful for a detailed protocol for these enzyme and transmitter assays.

What is new with nematodes or with mouse neuroblastoma and other cells in your lab? Is there any chance to see you around Paris in the near future?

With very best wishes,

Yours sincerely,



François JACOB